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### Washington

The Roman Catholic fascist order **Opus Dei** has been known to provide espionage cover for espionage rings operating at the heart of America's intelligence and counter-intelligence structure. Opus Dei, which is Latin for "Work of God," was founded in **Spain** in 1928 by Spanish priest **Josemaría Escrivá** to counter the influence of the more liberal order of the **Jesuits**. Opus Dei maintained close ties to the fascist regime of **Generalissimo Francisco Franco**, so much so, that Escrivá became known as "Franco's priest." Opus Dei is so secretive and pervasive, its Jesuit critics, of which there are many, called it a form of "**Catholic Freemasonry**."

Former **Federal Bureau of Investigation** counter-intelligence official **Robert Hanssen**, who was convicted in 2001 of spying for Soviet and Russian intelligence and sentenced to fifteen consecutive life terms at the Bureau of Prison's **Supermax** facility in **Florence, Colorado**, also served as Opus Dei's eyes and ears within the FBI. Hanssen was particularly active with **Tenley House**, an Opus Dei study center in northwest Washington, DC, and downtown Washington's **Catholic Information Center** on **K Street**, run by Father **John McCloskey III**. McCloskey is noted for converting a number of Protestants and Jews to the Opus Dei sect of Catholicism, including **Newt Gingrich**, **Sam Brownback**, **Lawrence Kudlow**, the late **Dr. Bernard Nathanson**, failed Supreme Court nominee **Robert Bork**, and columnist **Robert Novak**.

Some of the Opus Dei faithful have top jobs in the **Donald Trump** administration, including the aforementioned converts. Brownback, a former senator, Kansas governor, and McCloskey-converted Catholic, serves as Trump's **ambassador-at-Large for International Religious Freedom**. Kudlow is Trump's **Director of the National Economic Council**. Gingrich's wife, **Callista Gingrich**, serves as the U.S. ambassador to **Vatican City**. The late Supreme Court Associate Justice, **Antonin Scalia**, was an Opus Dei stalwart.

McCloskey's stardom came to a crashing halt in 2002 when a female parishioner charged him with sexual assault. McCloskey was ordered to leave Washington and in 2005, Opus Dei paid the female victim \$977,000 in a settlement agreement.

Many of Washington's Opus Dei members regularly attend Opus Dei's **Saint Catherine of Siena** Roman Catholic Church in **Great Falls, Virginia**, which sits in a neighborhood where many **Central Intelligence Agency** employees live and socialize. Among the members and supporters of the congregation is **Erik Prince**, the founder of the **Blackwater** mercenary firm and someone instrumental in the conspiracy investigated by Justice Department special counsel **Robert Mueller** in the foreign interference in the 2016 presidential election. Prince's sister, **Betsy DeVos**, serves as Secretary of Education in the Trump cabinet.

Opus Dei's faithful in the White House and State Department pale in comparison to its number one agent-of-influence, **Attorney General William Barr**. Barr's father was Jewish, but he was raised Catholic. Barr also happens to serve as a member of Opus Dei's Catholic Information Center alongside **Leonard Leo**, executive vice president of the **Federalist Society** – which advanced the confirmations of **Neil Gorsuch** and **Brett Kavanaugh** to the Supreme Court – and Trump's **White House Counsel Pat Cipollone**. Other Opus Dei advocates include Supreme Court Associate Justice **Clarence Thomas**, right-wing book publisher **Alfred Regnery**, and former Senator **Rick Santorum** of Pennsylvania.

Hanssen and his family regularly attended St. Catherine's and he talked up the church to fellow FBI agents in proselytizing for the sect at work. Hanssen had no problem with mixing religion with his official duties. His boss, FBI director **Louis Freeh, Jr.**, was a close friend through their mutual membership of Opus Dei and St. Catherine's of Siena. During mass at the church, Hanssen, Scalia, Freeh, and other powerful Washington notables would often rub shoulders. Hanssen's wife, **Bernadette "Bonnie" Wauck Hanssen**, was a good friend of Freeh's wife, **Marilyn**. Their sons attended the prestigious all-boys **Height School** in **Potomac, Maryland**.

When the **Penn State** sexual molestation scandal began to threaten members of Opus Dei, including Santorum, Freeh was retained to conduct an "independent" investigation. Freeh's report, not surprisingly, limited fault for the scandal to Penn State officials and kept the repercussions contained to State College, Pennsylvania and not beyond to implicate Santorum or the Catholic Church.

One of Barr's closest friends in the Opus Dei priesthood is **Father John Paul Wauck**, a close associate of McCloskey. As the brother of Bonnie Wauck Hanssen, Father Wauck is convicted Soviet and Russian spy Robert Hanssen's **brother-in-law!** When Barr told the **Senate Judiciary Committee** that he believed FBI

“spying went on” against the Trump campaign in 2016, he failed to mention that John Paul Wauck served as his **speechwriter** during his first stint as Attorney General during the **George H. W. Bush** administration. Wauck was also a speechwriter for the late Pennsylvania Governor **Robert Casey**. After working for Barr, Wauck entered the priesthood and he currently lives in Rome. Wauck was tasked by the Vatican with debunking many of the uncomplimentary depictions of Opus Dei that were featured in **Dan Brown’s** novel, *The DaVinci Code*, and the later movie with the same title.

John Paul’s and Bonnie’s brother, **Mark Wauck**, a retired Chicago FBI agent, has not been shy about calling the FBI and U.S. counter-intelligence surveillance of the 2016 Trump campaign a form of “**entrapment**.” Advancing Opus Dei-style “groupthink” should come naturally to the Waucks. Their father, **LeRoy A. Wauck**, who died in 2009, was the first chairman of the Psychology Department at **Marquette University**, chairman of the Psychology Department at **DePaul University**, and Dean of the Social Science Department at **Loyola University**, all Catholic institutions.

St. Catherine’s chief priest, **Father Robert Bucciarelli**, had previously served as the head of Opus Dei in the United States. In 1980, Hanssen and Bonnie visited Bucciarelli at Opus Dei’s massive headquarters in New York. There, Hanssen confessed to the priest that he had been paid \$30,000 by the Soviets for his espionage activities on their behalf. Bucciarelli told Hanssen that all would be well if he merely donated the remainder of the \$30,000, which he had not already spent, to **Mother Teresa**. Hanssen’s spying for Moscow continued, including during the time his brother-in-law had top-level access to the Justice Department while writing speeches for Attorney General Barr. Of course, Barr had his own priorities, including helping President Bush cover up the **Iran-Contra** scandal by preparing pardons for six felons, including **Elliott Abrams**, who now serves as Trump’s envoy for regime change in Venezuela.

It is now more than obvious where Barr has received the notion that Trump and his campaign were being “spied” upon by the FBI. The meme originated with Opus Dei faithful and leaders of the sect, who are known as “supernumeraries.” Opus Dei supernumeraries have often been linked to intelligence activities. These include **Linda Poindexter**, the wife of Iran-Contra figure and Ronald Reagan’s national security adviser, **John Poindexter**. Barr served as a CIA officer in the 1970s before joining the Justice Department during the Reagan administration.

During Hanssen’s espionage for the Soviets in the 1980s, Opus Dei’s Vatican Secretary of State, **Cardinal Agostino Casaroli**, was carrying out secret negotiations with Moscow on behalf of Catholic nationalists in Poland. Since Hanssen had confessed his espionage for the Soviets in 1980, there is every reason to believe that Opus Dei was employing Hanssen as a backchannel to Moscow, making the brother-in-law of Barr’s speechwriter a triple agent for the FBI, KGB, and Opus Dei.

Trump’s former campaign official and White House chief strategist, **Steve Bannon**, a Catholic, is busy in Europe trying to complete Father Escrivá’s dream of a fascist union of right-wing parties. Where Escrivá failed with Generalissimo Franco, Adolf Hitler, and Benito Mussolini, Bannon is hoping to unite European fascist parties by training future far-right nationalist cadres at the Opus Dei-run **Certosa di Trisulti** monastery in **Collepardo, Italy**, a little more than an hour’s drive from Rome. First, Bannon must depose **Pope Francis I**, the first Jesuit pontiff, and replace him with someone who shares his beliefs and those of former **Pope Benedict XVI**. From a small apartment on the grounds of the Vatican, Benedict is fomenting a rebellion against Francis with the assistance of Bannon and Barr’s former speechwriter, Father Wauck.

With Francis eliminated from the scene, Bannon and his fascist allies will be free to spread their fascist beliefs and gain political power throughout Europe and beyond. Icing on the cake would include a Trump presidential commutation of Hanssen’s life sentence, so he can rejoin his Opus Dei family members and friends.

Curiously, Barr resigned from the board of directors and audit committee of **Och-Ziff Capital Management Group (OZ Management)**, a New York hedge fund with strong ties to Israel and the Kushner family. **Daniel Och**, a principal of the firm, along with high-tech billionaire **Peter Thiel**, a Trump campaign donor, provided start-up capital for Trump’s son-in-law **Jared Kushner’s** firm, **Cadre**. Other investors in Cadre include **Goldman Sachs** and **George Soros**.

With news that **Deutsche Bank** failed to provide **Suspicious Activity Reports** on Trump’s finances to the U.S. Treasury Department’s **Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FINCEN)**, the presence of Barr’s daughter, **Mary Daly**, at FINCEN should raise counter-intelligence eyebrows. Daly previously worked at the Justice Department. Her husband, **Michael Daly**, currently works in the **National Security Division** of the Justice Department, where he has access to FBI counter-intelligence information, including investigations into the activities of Trump, Kushner, and, possibly, his own father-in-law. In addition, Barr’s son-in-law, **Tyler McGaughey**, was transferred from the **U.S. Attorney’s Office in Alexandria, Virginia** – the “**rocket docket**” for spies like Hanssen -- to the White House Counsel’s Office, where he now works for Barr’s Opus Dei colleague, Cipollone.

As for Hanssen’s old friend and colleague Freeh, attention was drawn last year to a new limited liability

A screenshot of a Chicago Tribune obituary for Leroy A. Wauck. The header features the "Chicago Tribune" logo and a "SUBSCRIBE" button. Below the header, the word "News" is visible. The main title of the obituary is "Death Notice: LEROY A. WAUCK". Below the title, it says "Chicago Tribune" and "JANUARY 8, 2009". The body of the obituary begins with a large "L" and reads: "eRoy A. Wauck, age 88, beloved husband of Frances E., nee Hagarty; loving father of Jeanne (George) Beglis, Bonnie (Robert) Hanssen, Greg (Alice), Mark (Mary Ellen), Peg (Steve) Gabriel, Larry (Susan), Liz (Fred) Rahimi and Rev. John Wauck; devoted grandfather of 33 and great-grandfather of 25." At the bottom, it states "1st Chairman of Psychology Dept."

corporation possessing a Washington, DC mailing address, **120 Everglade LLC**. Incorporated in the same manner as Trump's and Kushner's various companies, 120 Everglade is a contrivance for a \$9.38 million home at **120 Everglade Avenue** in **Palm Beach**, Florida. Freeh's wife, **Marilyn A. Coyle**, is also the co-owner of a \$2.75 million penthouse in the **Winthrop House** condominium in Palm Beach. Mr. and Mrs. Freeh have become habitués of Trump's billionaire **Mar-a-Lago Club** in Palm Beach.

Trump can always be counted on to project on to others for what he, himself, is guilty. When Trump blasts accusations about the "Deep State" being out to get him, he fails to mention that he is the chief of the Deep State.

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